

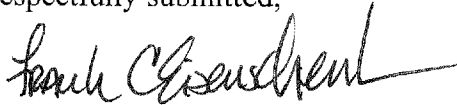
Remarks

Claims 30-65 are pending in the subject application. Applicants hereby reaffirm the election to prosecute the invention of Group V (claims 59-64), without traverse. As the species, Applicants elect metabolic disorders, obesity and soluble forms of T-cadherin. Claims 30-58 have been canceled as being directed to a non-elected invention. By way of this amendment, claims 66-70 have been added (support for the new claims may be found, for example, in the as-filed specification in the paragraph bridging pages 18-19 through page 20). Accordingly, claims 59-70 are currently before the Examiner and claims 59-62 and 66-70 read on the elected invention. Favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

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